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[] Small entity status is hereby claimed.

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Sir:					
Robert H SODIUM	osed for filing is the utility patent application of <u>Istvan SZELENYI, Kay BRUNE</u> , ERMANN and Mathias LOCHER for <u>COMBINATIONS OF RETIGABINE AND</u> CHANNEL INHIBITORS OR SODIUM CHANNEL-INFLUENCING ACTIVE JNDS FOR TREATING PAINS.				
[]	Applicant(s) suggest(s) Figure _ for inclusion on the front page of the patent application publication and patent.				
[]	Applicant(s) requests that the published application include the following assignment information:				
Also	Also enclosed are:				
[]	sheet(s) of drawings;				
M	a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. §§ 119 and/or 365 is [X] hereby made to German Patent Application No. 10349729.3 filed in Germany on October 23, 2003;				
	[] in the declaration;				
[]	a certified copy of the priority document;				
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[]	Other:				
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	No. OF CLAIMS	,	EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	FEE
Basic Application Fee					
Total Claims	11	MINUS 20 =	-0-	× \$18.00 (1202) =	-0-
Independent Claims	3	MINUS 3 =	-0-	× \$86.00 (1201) =	-0-
If multiple dependent claims are presented, add \$290.00 (1203)					
Total Application Fee					770.00
If small entity status is claimed, subtract 50% of Total Application Fee					-0-
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TOTAL APPLICATION FEE DUE					\$770.00

[]	This application is being filed without a filing fee. Issuance of a Notice to File Missing Parts of Application is respectfully requested.
[X]	A check in the amount of \$ 770.00 is enclosed for the fee due.
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